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**Easterling, Deborah**

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**From:** Easterling, Deborah  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 13, 2017 1:01 PM  
**To:** Boyd, Jocelyn  
**Subject:** RE: Wholesale Wastewater Increase

Dear Ms. Johnson-Williams,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest Files of the Dockets listed below and on the Commission's Website at [www.psc.sc.gov](http://www.psc.sc.gov).

- Docket No. 2017-28-S - Application of Synergy Utilities, L.P. for Approval of Sewer Rates, Terms and Conditions (Letter of Intent)
- Docket No. 2016-348-S - Joint Verified Application of Development Services, Incorporated and Midlands Utility, Incorporated for Approval of Transfer and Merger of Utility Assets to Synergy Utilities, LP, a Limited Partnership and for Authority of Synergy Utilities, LP to Operate as a Public Utility

A Protestant is an individual objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an Application, Petition, Motion or other matters which the Commission may have under consideration. A Protestant may offer sworn testimony but cannot cross-examine witnesses offered by other parties.

According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

You can follow this Docket and other daily filings made at the Commission by subscribing to the Commission's Email Subscriptions at this link: <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Email>; or you can also follow Docket No. 2017-28-S at this link: <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/116186>, and Docket No. 2016-348-S at this link: <https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/116085>.

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling  
Executive Assistant  
803-896-5133

**From:** Boyd, Jocelyn  
**Sent:** Friday, September 08, 2017 6:26 AM  
**To:** Duke, Daphne <Daphne.Duke@psc.sc.gov>; Easterling, Deborah <Deborah.Easterling@psc.sc.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: Wholesale Wastewater Increase

Northwood Estates, Incorporated



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September 6, 2017

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Mr. John Yow, City Administrator  
Post Office Drawer 387  
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29116

Dear Mr. John Yow:

RE: Protest of the \$4.12 increase in service charge from \$21.66 to \$25.78 per unit and \$0.13 in the capacity charge from \$2.13 to \$2.26 per 100-cubic feet metered Wastewater per month

We, the Northwood Estates Homeowners Association, are hereby providing written notice of our protest of the proposed increase in Wastewater monthly charge of the \$4.12 increase in service charge from \$21.66 to \$25.78 per unit and \$0.03 in the capacity charge from \$2.13 to \$2.26 per 100 cubic feet metered wastewater per month.

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Thank you for your consideration and cooperation in this matter. I can be reached at (803) 534-1598.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Johnson-Williams

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Cc: Charles Cook Esquire (via U. S. Mail and E-mail)  
Jeffrey N. Nelson, Esquire (via U.S. Mail and E-mail)  
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Michael Butler, Mayor (U.S. Mail and E-mail)  
Scott Elliott, Esquire, (U.S. Mail and E-mail)  
John McLaughlin, (via U.S. Mail and E-mail)  
Keith Pamell (via U.S, Mail and E-mail)  
Jocelyn Boyd, Esquire, (via U.S. Mail and E-mail)  
Linda Gerber, (via U.S. Mail and E-mail)  
Warren Harley, (via U.S. Mail and E-mail)

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The Honorable Mayor Michael Butler  
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Orangeburg, South Carolina 29116

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